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SUBJECT: PRESS SPECULATES THAT GEISEL WILL DENOUNCE MILITARY
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REF: (A) BRASILIA 5993 (B) BRASILIA 6048

1. PRESS REPORTED JULY 21 THAT PLANALTO SPOKESMAN COL. CAMARGO CORRECTED PREVIOUS STORIES ON EMFA STUDY OF US-BRAZILIANMILITARY ACCORDS BY STATING TO PRESS THAT GOB WAS SIMPLY WRAPPING UP PROTOCLS AND APPENDICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE 1952 MUTUAL DEFENSE ASSISANCE TREATY DENOUNCED BY THE GOB LAST MARCH 11. HE EMPHASIZED TO PRESS THAT THIS WAS NATURAL RESULT OF THE DENUNCIATION AND NOTHING NEW OR SENSATIONAL.

2. SIMILARLY, ITAMARATY SPOKEMAN LUIS FELIPE LAMPREIA ISSUED A COMPLEMENTARY STATEMENT NOTING THAT ANY DECISIONS THAT MIGHT BE TAKEN WERE "ONLY THE CONSEQUENCE" OF THE MARCH 11 DENUNCIATION. LAMPREIA ADDED ITAMARATY HAD RECEIVED THE EMFA STUDIES AND WAS CONFIDENTIAL

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COMPLETELY IN AGREEMENT WITH EMFA'S PROPOSALS (ALBOUT WHICH WE HAVE NOT YET BEEN OFFICIALLY OR UNOFFICIALLY INFORMED). HE ALSO SAID THERE WAS NO NEW INFORMATION FOR GOB TO PASS TO THE USG.

3. PRESS IS REFERRING T EMFA EFFORT IN THE PLURAL AS "STUDIES" AND CONTINUES SPECULATING ABOUT CONTENETS. ESTADO WHICH CALLED STUDIES "A VOLUMINOUS PACKAGE", SAID ONE SUGGESTION OFFERED

CONCERNS DEMISE OF JBUSMC, NOTING A ROBABLE CONSEQUENCE WOULD BE TERMINATION OF BRAZILIAN MILITARY COMMISSION IN WASHINGTON. ESTADO SAID PRESIDENT WOULD ALSO HAVE TO RESOLVE QUESTION OF BRAZILIAN PARTICIPATION IN TRAINING IN THE US AND CITED POSSIBILITY OF GOB TERMINATING BRAZILIAN PARTICIPATION IN THE FORT LEAVENWORTH PORTUGUESE EDITION OF THE MILITARY REVIEW AND IN TRADOC, WHICH WOULD CUT GOB OFF FROM LATEST THINKING IN MILITARY DOCTRINE.

4. JORNAL DE BRASILIA REPORTED THAT ITAMARATY WAS AWAITING OPPORTUNE MOMENT TO COMMUNICATE THE PRESEDENT'S DECISION TO THE US, AND STATED DAEKLY THAT FONMIN HAD MET WITH PRESIDENT IN "NON ROUTINE" MEETING JULY 20 (WEDNESDAY). (SILVEIRA'S ROUTINE WEEKLY MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT ARE ON THURSDAY.)

5. COMMENT. WE STILL NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR BOUT CAMARGO'S REFERENCE TO "PROTOCOLS AND APPENDICES". HE COULD HAVE MEANT COOPERATIVE EFFORTS SUCH AS THOSE CITED PARA 3 ABOVE THAT DO HAVE THEIR LEGAL BASIS IN THE 1952 AGREEMENT. THERE ARE ALSO MATTERS CONTAINED IN THE 1952 TREATY THAT MUST STILL BE ADDRESSED IN THE WAKE OF ITS MARCH RENUNCIATION. THESE INCLUDE ARTICLES III AND V, AND THOSE SUBPARAGRAPHS REFERRED TO IN PARA 1, ARTICLE XII. JBUSMC WILL SHORTLY APPROACH ADMIRAL JANNUZZI INFORMALLY TO SEEK HIS INTERPRETATION OF COL. CAMARGO'S CORRECTION OF PREVIOUS PRESS REPORTING.

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